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BY HAND

Ms. Magalie Roman Salas
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 Twelfth Street, S.W.
Room TW B-204
Washington, DC 20554

Re: In the Matter of Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service,
CC Docket No. 96-45

Dear Ms. Salas:

Transmitted electronically on behalf of the State of Alaska is a copy of the "Comments of the State of Alaska" for filing in the above-referenced docket. Copies are being sent to each member of the Federal-State Joint Board. We will transmit paper copies to you and to Ms. Todd, as set forth in the public notice, by mail. We are also transmitting a copy electronically to Qualex International.

In the event there are any questions concerning this matter, please communicate with the undersigned.

Very truly yours,

Robert M. Halperin

Enclosure

cc: Federal-State Joint Board Members
Sheryl Todd (3 copies)
Qualex International